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In re Application of :
Ashvin Bonafede Chhabra et al. : DECISION ON PETITION
Application No. 09/629,589 : TO WITHDRAW THE
Filed: July 31, 2000 : HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT
For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR
COMPUTING PATH DEPENDENT
PROBABILITIES OF ATTAINING
FINANCIAL GOALS

This is in response to applicant's petition to withdraw the holding of abandonment filed in the United States Patent and Trademark Office (USPTO) on February 4, 2003.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

A review of the file record indicates that the application was held abandoned for failure to properly respond to the Office action mailed June 27, 2002, and a notice to that effect was mailed on January 28, 2003.

The applicant has submitted a copy of a response which includes a copy of a post card identifying the response and which included a USPTO Mail Room receipt date of December 26, 2002. This is acceptable evidence of a timely response.

Since a timely response to the Office action was filed, the holding of abandonment is withdrawn and the application is restored to pending status. The application is being forwarded to the Supervisory Legal Instruments Examiner for entry of the response filed with the petition, then to the Examiner for prompt action on merits.

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